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# THE EDGECLIFF

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## Mary Burns Rates First Place, Trip To Mexico In Regional Competition At Ann Arbor

### Sophomore Places Second In Inter-American Contest

An O.L.C. junior, Mary Burns, was awarded first place in the Central Region contest on Inter-American Affairs at the University of Michigan on March 31. The subject of her speech was "The Role of Communications in Inter-American Relations." Miss Burns will receive an award of \$500 for study and travel in Mexico during the summer of 1944. She will also represent the Central Region at a national meeting in Washington, D. C., on Friday, April 14.

Completing the task of keeping Edgecliff foremost was Betty Ann Geers, a sophomore, who placed second. She spoke on "New Hemisphere Organizations for Inter-American Cooperation." Both students were directed by the Rev. William Gauche, head of the Social Science department at Edgecliff.

The contest was sponsored by the office of Co-ordinator of Inter-American Affairs under the

### Sophomore's Brother Reported Missing

The effects of war were brought very close to the hearts of all Edgecliff students recently with the word that Lt. William H. Mary, Jr., brother of Helen Mary, sophomore, was missing in action. Lt. Mary, co-pilot of a Flying Fortress, was reported lost during a raid over Germany on March 8. His parents received a letter from him dated Mar. 7, the day before his last mission.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Mary, of Bearden, Tenn., Lt. Mary has four other sisters and a brother, Eleanor Mary, Mrs. M. A. Crenshaw, Jr.; Mrs. R. P. Baumann, Jr.; Frances Mary, and Frank Mary.

Lt. Mary enlisted in the air forces in August, 1941, and had been stationed in England with a heavy bomber group.

### Alumnae Club Will Meet In Emery On April 20

The Alumnae Pan-American club will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 20, in connection with the regular alumnae association meeting in Emery. Moving pictures taken on a recent trip to Mexico by Louise and Ruth Meyer, '40, will be shown. Supper will be served before the meeting.

### Choral Club Will Repeat Laetare Performance

Repeating the entire program given by the Choral club at the recent Spring concert, the group sang at St. Ursula's academy on Sunday evening, Mar. 26. Future performances scheduled by the club include appearances at Mother of Mercy high school, Westwood, and the Ursuline academy, Brown county.

## Gerry Hanson Is Crowned Queen Of Edgecliff In Wartime Setting As Juniors Fete Seniors Replacing Traditional Prom With Banquet

### Students Will Form Guard of Honor

Highlighting the program for Family week at Edgecliff will be an assembly on Wednesday, May 3, at 3 p. m., in the auditorium under the auspices of the sociology club. Rev. Francis Kunnecke, instructor of sociology at O.L.C., will be the moderator of the symposium which will feature five talks by sociology majors and a discussion. Mary Ellen Bangert will be chairman of the meeting. Papers to be presented are "Church Regulations Concerning Marriage," by Joanne Homan; "The Evils of Mixed Marriage," by Naomi Schlosser, and "The State and the Family," by Mary Lou Palmer. Two sophomores will also speak.

A High Mass will be offered by the students on Friday, May 5, as a part of the celebration of Family week. This day has been designated as a "Day of Reparation" and the Mass will be offered in reparation for sinful practices which are undermining the stability of the home and the family. Throughout the day students will form a guard of honor before the Blessed Sacrament.

Family week will close with Baby day on Sunday, May 7, when the alumnae will consecrate their babies to the Blessed Virgin.

## Edgecliff Accorded Two Offices In Regional Unit As Delegates Vote In Congress Held At OLC

### Resolutions Are Drawn On Christian Principles

As a result of the election of officers at the NFCCS convention held at Edgecliff on Apr. 1, Mary Burns, junior, was elected vice president of the region, and Betty Kiernan, junior, was appointed chairman of the commission on international relations, recently given to Our Lady of Cincinnati. Approximately 175 college students from seven member colleges attended the congress. Miss Claire Bassman, retiring vice president, welcomed the guests to Edgecliff.

Other officers elected were Allan Braun, Dayton university, president; Mary Louise Hosty, Mt. St. Joseph college, corresponding secretary; Dennis Griffin, Dayton university, recording secretary, and Rita Krekeler, Marian college, treasurer.

Resolutions drawn following the meetings recommended a return to the Christian principles of family life and the study of the papal peace program. The morning program was devoted to victory on the home front, with Mary Elizabeth Austing, Mt. St. Joseph college and president of the region, acting as chairman. The Rev. James H.

Hoban, regional chaplain, explained the plans and purposes of the federation in his opening address. Claire Bassman gave an address of welcome to the delegates. Other speakers on the morning session were William Fanning, Xavier university, who spoke on "Post-War America — A Challenge to Youth;" Betty Jeanne Meyers, Our Lady of Cincinnati college, whose subject was "The Social Emancipation of the Family," and Allan Braun, Dayton university, who spoke on "Justice and Labor."

The afternoon meeting was entitled, "Victory in the Peace." Speakers on this program included Kitty Hanrahan, Nazareth college, who discussed "Plans for World Organization in the Peace;" Betty Armstrong, Marian college, whose topic was "Plans for Economic Security," and Helen Cooper, Mt. St. Joseph college, who spoke on "Plans for Relief and Rehabilitation."

Member colleges who were represented at the congress were Nazareth college and Ursuline college, Louisville, Ky.; University of Dayton, Dayton; Marian college, Indianapolis, Ind.; Xavier university, College of Mt. St. Joseph, and Our Lady of Cincinnati college, Cincinnati.

### CHOSEN



Gerry Hanson

### Gone To War Is King; Queen Reigns Alone

By Betty Kiernan

Once upon a time there was a queen. She lived in a many-spired castle. In the morning she walked in her rose garden, and in the afternoon she rode through the fields on her black horse.

Hundreds of years later there was another queen. She lived at her home in Cincinnati. In the morning she rode the street car to school. She went to Our Lady of Cincinnati college. In January of her senior year she was elected by the students to be Prom Queen. The night of the dance she found that Emery hall had been transformed by the junior class into a lovely, glittering setting for the most beautiful dance she had ever attended. There was soft music in the background as the queen took her place of honor with her king and court.

This year there was another queen. Her name is Gerry Hanson. As lovely as the first in her rose garden was she, and as much favored at school as the usual Prom Queen. But the queen of 1944 was crowned in an altogether different setting, and was called the Queen of Edgecliff, a title suggested by Teresa White and Ellen Daugherty. Gone was the glitter of Emery, gone the flowing evening dresses, and the formal attire of the king. Gone, alas, the king! Gone to war.

In place of a prom this year the junior class planned a delicious dinner and entertainment in the Alms Ball Room. The date was April 13, one date nearly every girl in the school could keep.

Had the usual sort of prom been planned, Gerry would probably have been the only senior there, because of a surprise visit from her khaki-clad "king", who is said (by Gerry, of course) to be the best soldier in the United States forces.

### Students Select Queen By Vote In Campus Poll

Instead of the usual prom, the junior class sponsored a banquet in honor of the seniors to-night at the Alms hotel. Grace Rack, president of the junior class, acted as the general chairman, with Mildred Fischer, Jane Schroeder, Betty Kiernan, and Henrietta Koehler as chairmen of arrangements, programs, and voting respectively.

Even though the party was an all-girl affair, and not conducted on campus, the juniors endeavored to retain the prom atmosphere. Two weeks before the night of the party the polls were opened for votes on the queen. Every senior was eligible for this honor. Ordinarily the winner would have been named the prom queen, but this year the title was changed to the appropriate designation, "Queen of Edgecliff." The juniors guarded the secret of the name of the winner until the crowning which took place immediately before dinner.

The presentation of gifts by Queen Gerry Hanson, together with toasts and rhymes about the seniors, provided after-dinner entertainment.

### Crusaders To Pray, Play, On May 10

The mission unit will observe its annual "University of Peking" day on Wednesday, May 10. The Very Rev. Msgr. Edward A. Freking, national secretary of the C.S.M.C., will be celebrant of the High Mass at 8:30 and will preach the sermon. The student body will assist at Mass and receive Holy Communion.

At the general assembly at 3 p. m., the Rev. Hamlet Accorsi, F.S.C., will discuss what students can do to help the missions. A missionary play, written by one of the students, will then be presented.

Miss Esther Leugers, physical education instructor, will be in charge of arrangements for Play day to be held in conjunction with Peking day.

A supper will close the day's activities. A meeting of the officers of the unit will be held soon to arrange for committees to sell tickets to the faculty, students, and alumna.

### Collegians Invited To Hear Lecture

Edgecliff students have been invited to attend a lecture on "Durable Peace," to be given by Dr. Ross J. S. Hoffman, author, educator and historian on Friday evening, April 14, at 6:30 p. m. The lecture is being sponsored by the Cincinnati Catholic Women's association and presented in the association's hall at 518 East Fourth street. A dinner will precede the lecture.



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### What Of Us? —

WHAT a sorry mess has been made of this world! Along with the depressing accounts of war in the daily papers, we've been forced to consume all the filth and muck that the editors of today seem to deem news, and important news, at that. Claiming front page spreads with larger heads than the current war news are stories of immorality and adultery, news that reeks of yellow journalism. The guilty parties in these notices are portrayed in something of the hero light, or otherwise they are pictured in all the qualities of innocence. It is the crime of our age that these things are happening. Must their glaring presence on the front-pages of every newspaper also be the crime of the age?

To add to the insults thrown at every decent-minded citizen, an amazing bill has been passed in one of our largest cities to prohibit the serving of liquors to mothers with babes in arms. It was also necessary to formulate a law to ban the parking of baby carriages in front of saloons and cafes. Our civilization must be pretty corrupt when we are forced to legislate against not only juvenile delinquency, but adult delinquency.

The generation ahead of us has made a sorry mess. It will soon be our turn. What will historians write of the world we shall mold in the next thirty years?

### A Song to Our Lady —

IN THESE days when our country is busily engaged in the mass-production of vital war materials, one is likely to lose sight of the current manifestations of the power of Holy Ghost. Recently, however, with the moving picture production of "The Song of Bernadette", we were reminded of a statement made by the Archbishop of Cincinnati several years ago: "At my age I have stopped being surprised at the workings of the Holy Ghost."

Surely the workings of the Holy Ghost can be seen in this best seller and super moving picture. Think of all the public interest aroused when the actress playing the leading role received the Academy award. Five years ago no Catholic would have dared to hope for these things.

Most of our readers have seen the picture and many have read the book by Franz

Werfel. All Catholics and most Protestants know the fact of the happenings at Lourdes. They have been accepted by the former as miracles and by the latter as historic facts that they can not very well deny, even though they are reluctant to seek their real explanation. We are told that even travelers who have had the good fortune to visit the miracle city of the Pyrenees, surprised as they were with sightseeing, look upon their visit to Lourdes as a wonderful travel experience. Now we have a master craftsman to consummate biographer in a refugee Jew who, in a fervor of hope and belief, after visiting Lourdes, promised to write her story should the saintly maid of Massabielle deliver him to the Western World. It will be to the everlasting delight of Catholics and to the credit of Franz Werfel that he told his story honestly, faithfully, and interestingly using discretion and delicacy throughout. The result is that the story of Lourdes has become headline copy that even "he who runs may read."

No Catholic writing the identical words used by Werfel could possibly have attracted the audience that this non-Catholic found. We, as Catholics, are concerned with the propagation of our religion. How and by whom is secondary. Here we have an astoundingly successful narration of the most interesting miraculous manifestation of the nineteenth century. We thank the Holy Spirit for it. What will be the final result? That, too, will be in the hand of God. The hand of God was in the selection of Franz Werfel to do this apostolic task for Catholics. Perhaps this story of the Immaculate Conception is to be one of God's ways to soothe world-weary, saddened souls in the post war world.

### Of Love and Hate—

EVER since we started to school we have been taught to love; to love God, to love our neighbor, and to love our enemies. Now our modern writers and commentators are telling us to hate. Hatred is being used as a weapon in this war on all sides. We are told to hate the Japanese and the Nazis, not just the few in the high places who are responsible for atrocities, but every one of them. The Nazi bombings keep alive a hatred of everything German. The Germans, as they see their cities burned and destroyed, feel a raging hatred of Americans and British. There is even a growing hatred in our own country between racial and religious groups.

It occurs to us that the hate mongers have thought of everything connected with the winning of the war but have overlooked the aspect of winning a just peace and a successful reconstruction.

To us Christians the solution of the hate problem is embodied in the basic, if not easily understood doctrine, of the Mystical Body of Christ. That Christian truth tells us that God is the Father of us all, and we here on earth, whether Americans or Germans, are brothers and the brethren of His Son.

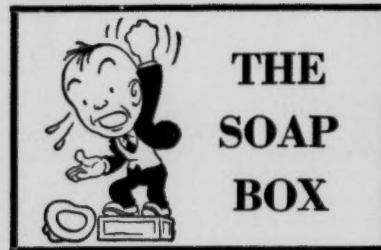
Quentin Reynolds, in his latest book, "The Curtain Rises," admits that he has been called an "apostle of hate." He feels justified in spreading hate on the grounds that Christ in anger forcefully drove the money changers from the temple. It is well for us to remember that Christ did not drive them out because they were money changers, or because they were Jews, but because they were carrying on their avaricious traffic in a holy place. Christ hated the evil, not the evil doers.

It was on the cross that He gave us the sublime example of 'love your enemies,' when He said, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

In the current issue of the Sign Magazine Father Ralph Gorman, C.P., has written an editorial called "The Slavery of Hatred" which ends significantly with these words: "Unless we can learn to repeat with Christ His prayer from the cross we shall become the victims of our own hatreds."

### Remember—

In your prayers the brother of Helen Mary, Lt. William H. Mary, reported missing in action over Germany.



Dear Editor:

Sponsoring the coming boat-ride with Xavier university and Mt. St. Joseph college has put a direct responsibility on every student at Edgecliff. We've got to make our part in this affair a success. Whether we sell our tickets or not, the school must reach its quota. The committee is determined that the school won't be compelled to meet the deficit. We're going to sell our tickets.

This means that every one of you must buy at least one ticket. With the shortage (and almost complete lack) of male escorts general interest is lagging. But let's be original. We can do without the boys for one evening. Four girls and one good deck of cards will prove a novel, but nice, way of spending a boat-ride. All of your friends will be there. Don't you want to come, too? It's your boat-ride. Let's see YOU there!

Florence Startzman.

Dear Editor:

The Cincinnati Times-Star's drama editor has received a number of letters from readers condemning the type of so-called entertainment shown on the Albee stage. They say it is that loud, uninhibited, vulgar sort of stuff one might expect to find in a burlesque house, but which is totally out of place on the stage of one of our best theaters.

Similar criticisms have been leveled at the Albee management ever since vaudeville was introduced into their program, but nothing, it seems, has been done about cleaning up the messy situation. Do you suppose we here at school could do something constructive along this line?

The University of Notre Dame had a problem concerning indecent literature that its Catholic Action group had to solve, and it solved it. Other colleges throughout the nation have recognized evils such as this in their own cities, and have gone about systematically to make decent standards prevail over the cheap conditions so evident in some of our newspapers and theaters today. If these conditions were to be analyzed they would probably be traced to wartime hysteria — just a vague excuse for the get-away-with-all-you-can attitude on the part of some of those who run our press and theaters.

Susan Jane Dalheim.

Dear Readers:

Realizing this is a bit irregular to say the least we, nevertheless are forced into this position. If you don't care to write to us we'll write to you.

As a common market-place for all manner of debate, complaint or praise, the Soap Box appears somewhat unsuccessful. Inaugurated in order to serve you, the reader, as a clearing house of opinion, the Box has certainly fallen short of its aim. Prior to each edition we wait patiently, thoughtfully chewing our blue-pencil stub. Surely this month the letters will come, we muse. Just once we will be swamped with readers' opinions. But the dream is cruelly shattered month after month. Are you shy; can't you write, or don't you think? We'd hate to believe

## On The Scene

With Ruth Gellenbeck

As the writer goes, so goes this column. At any rate we shift from things literary to things musical. With all apologies to the hep-kittens of MacAuley hall, and with a sincere "this is our last little fling," we proceed to ethereal musings on the recent visit of the Ballet theater.

Balletomanes of Cincinnati enjoyed the treat of four performances by these exponents of the true Russian art on the weekend of March 24 to 26. For those fiends for music in the modern manner, "Billy the Kid" furnished a wild-west story to the even wilder accompaniment of Aaron Copeland's discordant music. "Romeo and Juliet," with the incomparable Alicia Markova in the role of the pathetic Shakespearean heroine, was marred only by the use of Delius music, which does not lend itself well to the gracious movement of the ballet.

Still the highpoint of any ballet season, sugar-coated and always delicious, "Les Sylphides" presented ballerinas in snowy white executing classic movements to the loveliest strains of Chopin. In novel contrast, "Fair at Sorochinsk" offered the devilish music of Moussorsky and the matchless performance of Anton Dolin as the even more devilish "Red Coat." A new work of this season, "Dim Luster" presented an abstract story with choreography, weak in spots but done effectively in shades of brown to the music of Richard Strauss.

Highlights of the season: Alicia Markova floating through the air in a froth of tulle to Chopin music — Hugh Laing, a most romantic Romeo with very black hair and a very blue costume — the novel cast of "Dim Luster" including "The Lady With Him" and "He Wore a White Tie" — the alternating fire and fragility of Antal Dorati's conducting — Andre Eglevsky crossing the stage in two great leaps (jetes to you fiends on the subject).

As this may go on ad infinitum we suggest at this point that you switch on your radio, and drown your sorrows in the latest Benny Goodman recording.

the latter.

The Edgecliff is printed primarily for the enjoyment and interest of the student body. Your own thoughts would help to retain student interest. There is no purpose nor future in retaining this column if the staff or a few other faithfuls are to continue contributing the letters, controversial or otherwise.

We're asking for your letters. We want to know what you think about the paper, about the school, about student legislation, about your courses. We know you have opinions on these subjects. Bull-sessions about campus don't fall on deaf ears. Why not record a few of these for posterity?

Hopefully,

The Editors.

## Jubilee Is Celebrated By Faculty Priest

In observance of the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, the Rev. Raymond Stoll, religion instructor at the college, was celebrant of a High Mass at Edgecliff on March 16. Students and faculty members assisted at the Mass. A breakfast followed.



## CAMPUS CASUALS

By Miriam Stautberg

As we go to press we set about writing this column with a rather heavy heart and a somewhat sad spirit. It's amazing how lost one can feel when your colleague and kindred spirit has set out on a new life. But co-editor must take over for co-editor, for shortly after you read this Mary Kay will be drifting down the candlelit aisle of an army chapel, hauntingly lovely in a soft grey wool suit, tiny silver buttons trickling from the neckline on down. Wisps of shining black hair will curl from a grey half-hat. A white satin prayerbook, used by the groom's mother at her own wedding, with a single white orchid centered in yellow, will complete her simple costume, but the radiant dark eyes will finish the tale — for that's where her happiness seeps through.

### Trousseau Notes

Calm and sure Mary Kay describes bits of her trousseau for an anxious audience — a collarless jonquil yellow topcoat, scallops cascading from shoulders to hem — grey print silk suit — a dressy-dressy dress, royal blue in color — a black print with brave poppies splashed throughout — a blue linen — and countless cottons for busy homemaking days. Naturally Captain Rielly's favorite — the lilac wool suit with the very new short jacket — will form an important part of the wardrobe. Yes, she's really gone. We have to repeat these words often — we must form a steady record of them, in order to believe them. After four years, the staff room can be a pretty lonely place without your "kindred soul."

### Students Sprout Splendor

In a dreamy cloud we drift back to Edgecliff and tonight's big event. Dressing up to the occasion, as only she can do so perfectly, we present the most-loved of all senior queens, Her Highness, Gerry Hanson — a perfect pattern of the Edgecliff Girl — charmingly regal in black, a satin ruffle taking you quite by surprise as it ripples down the front of her otherwise simple gown. Her fragile orchid, most perfect of flowers for the most perfect of queens, blends with her smile — the smile that reflects happiness supreme.

Sue tops our list tonight in the very sophisticated, but simple, black number, flesh-chiffon outlining the low-cut neckline. Stunning is the only word for Mary Lou in a cardigan beige suit with her Martins, the envy of the students, resting casually over her shoulders. Eleanor Waters looks very Springish in a teal blue suit. "Now we know why Bob fell so hard" — Jane in an orchid, oh so lovely, suit. The lovely blonde head of Schro tops a printed jersey, very tailored in grey, white and maroon. Associated Betty Kiernan has a very striking yellow blouse, with brown roses.

### Clothes Make The Winner

This column gives a special notice to the prize-winning pair. Mary won the judges with an aqua gabardine, smartly tailored with amber buttons marching down the front — a compliment to any prize. And willowy Betty Ann stole hearts in a brown bolero dress with a brilliant rhinestone clip — the perfect ensemble for our perfect sopho-

## Director Sets Cast For Grand Finale

A three-act mystery-comedy, "Murder in a Nunnery," by Emmet Lavery, will be presented by the Edgecliff players on May 14, 15 and 16. Taken from the novel by Eric Shepherd, the play concerns the solution of a murder in a quiet English convent school. The production is under the direction of Sister Mary Hildegard, R.S.M., with Dr. Daniel Steible in charge of the stage crew.

Members of the cast include Susan Jane Dalheim as Reverend Mother, the capable, serene, but charming superior of the school; Mr. Howard Knoepfler as the polite inspector from Scotland Yard; Mr. John Delaney as Sgt. Mulligan, baffled by the nuns and yet suspicious of them; Catherine Belli as the murdered Baroness Sliema; Mary Burns as Mother Trevor, the angelic English teacher who walks in her sleep; Elaine Gates as Mother Peagel, the thoughtful housekeeper; Beatrice Arling as Mother Bassonwaite, the scientist of the community; Jane Schroeder as Mother Peck, the energetic portress who reads murder mysteries.

Betty Dierker as Mrs. Moss, the quiet, life-long friend of the baroness; Naomi Schlosser as Miss Geza, the lovely young school teacher in love with the baroness' son; Mr. Robert Quinlan as Mr. Turtle, the gardener and chief handy man of the school; and the four precocious students, Jane Biedenharn as Inez Escapado, who wears a scapular around her neck; Rita Muehlenkamp as Turkey Rohays, the athlete of the crowd; Jean Sperber, as Verity Goodchild, who manages to dramatize the smallest event, and Prudence Rockingham, the goody-goody girl who wears the ribbon of a prefect.

## Mothers' Club Stages Annual Spring Fete

The annual spring party of the Mothers' club was held yesterday, April 12, in the afternoon and evening. Mrs. Ramon Crowell acted as general chairman, with Mrs. Raymond J. Dierker as co-chairman.

Members of the committee include Mes. Louis R. Schroeder, Edward J. Smith, Oscar Bangert, Lewis R. Smith, Charles Bracke, Louis Bock, Joseph Kreis, John Knochel, William Meyer, John J. Fisher, Lawrence A. Kane, A. J. Niemer, Al. Meyer, G. W. Diehl, Herbert Startzman, Frank Drucke, Edward Dossman, Walter Elbert, Frank Klahm, John B. Hardig, Elmer Farwick, Helen Schlosser, Frank Rack, J. C. Grunkemeyer, William Macke, Walter Hartke, and Arthur G. Ruff.

more.

Highlighting the convention crowd round the campus was Claire Bassmann, her softly tailored melon suit blending with the creamy, better-than-soap-ads Bassman complexion. And then there was Meb — the perfect symbol of the Easter parade — tripping down to Durham in a pale pink dress, sprinkled with black flowers, a fitted torso, square neck and full skirt.

As our "30" shot we give you the delectable Southern senior, Ginny Daugherty, turning khaki-clad heads as she assumes the role of bridesmaid for Kibby. A very dressy gold wool suit accentuates the charming Irish smile — faintly reminiscent of magnolias and moon light.

## CONGRATULATIONS!



The two prize-winners, Betty Ann Geers, left, and Mary Burns, right, pictured as they left for Ann Arbor and the regional contest on Inter-American Affairs.

## Store Of Wonders Journal Is Favorite Lurk In Library In Campus Poll

By Eleanor Barrett

A haunted house is your next door neighbor on the college campus. But don't be afraid! This house contains a world of knowledge, and that wouldn't hurt you. This house would be glad to welcome you because the 11,150 books living there become bored with each other and just love company.

The rear French door is always open, even on Saturdays and Sundays. It opens into a veritable fairyland of literature with English and American authors waiting to greet you. As you proceed to the front room historical ghosts will shout their data at you if you will just turn a page. And the stories that they have to tell about travel, biography, and other interesting topics are most amazing. Their titles are found under the number 900-999. Call for one of them and see how obliging they are to you.

Across the hall in section 000-099 live Mr. and Mrs. General Works. Their room is a most excellent source of information because it includes encyclopedias, periodicals, newspapers, and books. The reference room has a guest once in a while, but the others only rarely. So when you're visiting, remember that. And this is something else to remember: Every teacher in Our Lady of Cincinnati college has a special reference shelf for his or her students and if you want to make your teacher happy just notice that shelf. You'll reach for a book, and presto! you'll have your outside reading finished.

Hurry upstairs and see the wonders there. I should have mentioned that this isn't a regular haunted house because there are no cobwebs or broken windows. There are, though, some semblances of a haunted building. When you are in the upstairs hall, the phantoms of dead languages beckon you into the front corner room; the wizards of silence extend the same invitation; old magazines wait for attention in the small middle room, and from the fiction room comes moaning from "The Corpse of the Crimson Slipper."

This is just a letter of introduction to our library. Spend your next free time there and see what you have been missing for two, three, or four years.

A "slick" landslide culminated a recent poll in the college girl's best liked secular magazine when *Ladies Home Journal* proved to be the most popular on the campus. The magazine was given 22 votes. No attempt was made to discover the whys and wherefores of the selection, but several readers volunteered the information that they prefer light reading and that the *Journal* fills the bill. Choice of *Readers Digest* for second place, with 11 votes, was attributed to the girls' preference for variety in reading matter.

A survey of tastes in religious periodicals showed that the *Catholic Digest*, with 12 votes, was first in the readers' estimation. The high rating received by both digests, secular and religious, indicates that the girls here like their reading material in compact form, and that long and scholarly articles will have to await condensation before they will tempt most intellectual appetites at Edgecliff. In second place, scoring 10 votes, was the *Sacred Heart Messenger*.

## Mother Hilda Award Set For High School Seniors

A competitive examination for high school seniors will be given at the college on Saturday, Apr. 29, for the awarding of the Mother Hilda scholarship. This scholarship was established last year by Our Lady of Cincinnati Alumnae association and is awarded yearly. Seniors of Catholic high schools are eligible with the approval of their principal. The scholarship is awarded to the winner at her commencement exercises.

## Crusaders' Plans Motivate Meeting

Plans to bring here the children who receive catechism instructions from Edgecliff students were discussed at the mission meeting on Wednesday, March 29.

The C.S.M.C. playwrighting contest was discussed. Several Edgecliff students entered the contest, the deadline of which was April 10. A committee was formed to count the sales tax stamps.

## DIG DIG DIG

Susan Jane Dalheim

The poll of the student body for the Junior Banquet Queen has kept Edgecliff at a pretty high pitch — with the Seniors looking their best for at least four consecutive days, and the rest of the school electioneering for their favorites. The title of queen had to undergo some rearranging this year to eliminate the "prom" idea, but "Blue Plate Special" and "Miss Ham Hock of '44" were a bit out of line too. Somehow, the title is relatively unimportant, because in each girl's mind our queen may stand for something different: popularity, likeableness, attractiveness, or just the personification of "The Edgecliff Senior." For these, we chose Gerry — and all the students can't be wrong. She loves gardenias, wooden shoes, perfume, cooking, and Hank. She'll never forgive herself for suggesting "Miss H. H." as the queen's title.

### Hi Ho Silva

The best picture of the month was Shro, in a dim corridor dancing the fairy-step with "Red" to the tune of "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf" ... Salli Silva — "the freshman mostly likely to succeed" — elected by an unofficial but grateful group of upper-classmen. Pat Perrine also ran ... Rose Centner's observation about a certain class — "You don't have to know anything, if you can talk fast enough" — such words of wisdom from just a freshman! ... Another picture — Ann B. and the Faithful Navigator, twosomeing it, twenty-five years ago.

### In Praise Of

All kinds of congratulations should go to half-shod Claire, for making all her work pay dividends in a very successful N. F. C. C. S. convention. Our representative, Betty Jeanne, had an excellent paper and an exceptionally smooth discussion technique, to which Hengel, Dirk, and "four-word" Kier contributed in a constructive way. The N. F. C. C. S. has suddenly arisen from a very minor project to a major school activity at O. L. C., which continues to amaze and delight the alumnae.

### Furlough Flourish

Those girls who look forward to leaves and furloughs know the glowy symptoms demonstrated by Ann who welcomed home Tommy, Jinx, who took exams and entertained Joe in the same week, and Mary Rose with Floyd. Fiance Bob Konnerman breezed through Cincy while Janey sat calmly at home oblivious to the lure of Union station. Meb spent Easter Week at Durham with her fiance, newly appointed Capt. Irv. Beumer.

### Romance Wins Out

Kibby, who is known for the unusual and spectacular, did just that when she wrinkled up her nose at comprehensives and dull quarterlies and made plans for an immediate wedding at Indian-town Gap, Pa. It took days for the school to step down from the clouds and resume its routine pace — much against its will. The whole situation created an excitement that has only been eclipsed by the appearance of one of Kib's own little grey dorm pets in the auditorium last year. Oh yes, the Indiantown attraction is Capt. Bill Rielly, —

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## Betty Ann Geers Advocates United Spirit Of Latin American Republics In Her Talk At Michigan Competition, March 31

### Winner Speaks Tomorrow At Washington Meeting

By Betty Ann Geers

The treacherous attack on Pearl Harbor brought forth a new determination in the twenty-one republics of the Western Hemisphere — a determination to forego individual, selfish ends for continental interests, a determination to defend the territorial integrity, economic stability, and cherished liberties of the nations of America. The attack brought with it a rude awakening to the extreme importance of inter-American cooperation and solidarity. This awakening prompted a meeting so significant and so far-reaching in its effects that it might well be expected to influence the future course of Western civilization. The Third Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics, held at Rio de Janeiro from January 15th to the 28th, 1942, was to use President Roosevelt's expressive phrase, "a rendezvous with destiny."

The concrete results of the Rio Meeting mark an epoch in the history of Pan-American cooperation and indicate the advantages of a group of neighboring nations working together for common purposes — that is, to safeguard the security of the Americas from any political contamination, and to set aside this hemisphere for the continuance of the American way of life. These results include the setting up of "New Hemisphere Organizations for Inter-American Cooperation."

#### Resolutions Are Made

One of the most momentous resolutions provided for an Inter-American Defense Board that would insure unity of policy and coordinate military consultation in the defense of the continent.

Another resolution led to the organization on April 15th at Montevideo of an Emergency Advisory Committee for Political Defense composed of seven members under the able leadership of Foreign Minister Guani of Uruguay. Its work is to prevent and punish persons or groups who engage in activities which are detrimental to our security, or attack those democratic institutions which we Americans revere so highly.

In close relation to the Emergency Committee on Political Defense was the Inter-American Conference of Police and Juridical Authorities held at Buenos Aires from May 27th to June 9th, 1942, at which all the American republics were represented except Guatemala and Costa Rica. A series of recommendations were adopted which were directed against activities opposed to American security.

#### Committee Reorganized

Since a great international conflict as World War II necessarily inflicts drastic changes, both within a nation and without, preparations must be made for meeting these changed circumstances. The delegates at the Rio meeting, realizing the extreme importance of the study and ultimate solution of post-war problems, reorganized the Inter-American Neutrality Committee. This group had been designed to study and formulate recommendations concerning the various problems of neutrality. It is now set up as the Inter-American Juridical Committee which is to study those juridical problems created in the American Republics as a consequence of the war. At the same time it has been requested to codify international law in relation to post-war problems, and to formulate specific recommendations relative to international law that will make the Americas politically and economically secure and enable them to become and remain dominant world powers.

Although political and military conclusions have received more attention, the significance of economic measures must not be overlooked. The Inter-American Financial and Advisory Committee, on the recommendation of the Rio Meeting, convened an Inter-American Conference on Systems of Economic and Financial Control. The recommendations adopted by the Conference dealt with the regulation of commercial and financial intercourse between the Western Hemisphere and the aggressor nations or the territory dominated by them.

Other potent agencies which have been established by the Inter-American Financial and Advisory Committee, are the Inter-American Maritime Technical Committee, and the Inter-American Development Committee.

The duties of the former are to utilize the immobilized ships lying in American ports and to recommend to maritime authorities the allocation of ships to special routes and to the carrying of certain commodities. The Development Commission, which has established national commissions in every American republic, supplies information on the possibilities of developing production and trade, not only establishing new industries but reestablishing the old ones.

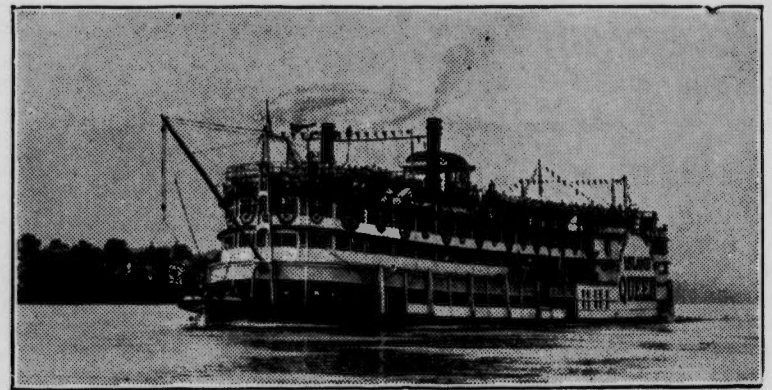
As the solution of post-war political problems was emphasized at the Rio Meeting, so the study and settlement of post-war economic and cultural problems is of deep concern to the American republics. In order to bring about a solution to these problems, the Pan-American Union was requested to convene an Inter-American Technical Economic Conference.

#### Unity of Purpose

These organizations, set up in this period of crisis, are coordinating the efforts put forth by all of the American republics. They are providing the machinery necessary for the protection of this hemisphere against any political or military encroachment by a foreign power; they are enabling the American republics to collaborate successfully on measures for the defense of the continent; they are concentrating on the study and settlement of post-war problems that will face the Americas, and they have afforded the means by which the 21 republics can utilize their economic resources to their mutual advantage.

In all, the threats incurred by this great global war, have taught the Americas the limitless advantages of the 21 republics working together in the common defense of our common ideals and institutions. The great advances which have been made must not be lost. These organizations which have been created to meet the emergencies of war, must be continued, strengthened, and modified to improve economic, political, social, and cultural cooperation. A pliable, active Pan-Americanism must be developed — the kind of Pan-Americanism which President Wilson defined as 'the effectual embodiment of the spirit of law and independence and liberty and mutual service.'

## ANCHORS AWEIGH



STEAMER ISLAND QUEEN

The Island Queen will weigh anchor at the foot of Broadway on Tuesday, April 18, at 8:30 p. m., for Catholic College Night-on-the-Ohio. The three colleges to be united in this event are Mt. St. Joseph college, Xavier university, and Our Lady of Cincinnati college.

Grace Rack, Edgecliff junior, is in charge of the ticket sale here. Tickets may be secured from her or from any of the students. Clyde Trask's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing.

### It's Fiesta Time On Campus Again

With all of the gay festivity of a fiesta, Pan-American day will be celebrated at Edgecliff on April 19. This year there will be more of the Latin atmosphere on campus than there has been in former years. South American dishes will be served in the dining room as a feature of the day. The Pan-American club, in conjunction with the Spanish classes, is planning a program for the regular assembly period at 3 p. m. This program aims to inform the students about the peoples of Latin America, as well as to entertain.

### German Club Promises Second Wonder Drama

With last year's presentation of "Cinderella" by the German club still being laughed about around the campus, the German group announces its latest venture into the field of drama. Taking over the assembly on Wednesday, April 26, the fairy-tale minded students will present what they promise will be a success equal to last year's.

All plans for the event have been guarded carefully. Sister Rose Agnes is directing the production. Other arrangements are under the direction of Gertrude Klahm, president of the club.

### Dig-Dig . . .

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reservations all taken.

Our contest winners Betty and Mary came home from Ann Arbor covered with honor and glory; an added knowledge of compartment accommodations and Brazilian doctors; and a definite aversion to chocolate drops.

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